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Application of: Alvarez *et al.*

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For: RANDOM PEPTIDES THAT BIND TO  
GASTRO-INTESTINAL TRACT (GIT)  
TRANSPORT RECEPTORS AND  
RELATED METHODS

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2003 be extended for a period of two months from April 24, 2003 to and including June 24, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$410.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: June 24, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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